

Social Studies Study Guide: Russia and CIS Geography Quiz

The Russia Map and Geography Quiz is on: _____.

Make sure you review the following and see Mrs. Regal/Mr. Arnold for help in class or at Guide. Check Mrs. Regal's homework website for the answers. ☺

Russia Political Map: NB p. _____

-know the capitals of the 15 countries on your map

-know the location of the 15 countries on your map

Russia Physical Features Map: NB p. _____

-know the location of the following physical features:

Caucasus Mountains, Ural Mountains, Aral Sea, Lake Baikal, Black Sea,

Caspian Sea, Bering Strait, Volga River, Kamchatka Peninsula, Siberia

Relative Location & Physical Features of Russia & the CIS: NB p. _____

-How many time zones does Russia span? 11

-What 2 continents does Russia span? Europe and Asia

-Is it the largest country on earth? Yes

-What sea does the Black Sea connect with? Mediterranean Sea

-What's the world's largest inland body of water (actually a lake)? Caspian Sea

-What narrow waterway connects 2 larger bodies of water (remember the Native Americans?) Bering Strait

Russia & the CIS Vegetation Zones: NB P. _____

- Define Northern (Taiga). Coniferus (cone) forest, evergreen trees, cold
- How many types of vegetation zones are there? 5

Important Geography Facts—Russia & the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS): NB P. _____

- What does CIS stand for? Commonwealth of Independent States
- Before it was called Russia, what was it called? United Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR)
- Where does the Trans-Siberian Railroad start and end? Starts in St. Petersburg and ends in Vladivostok (Russian Navy Base)
- Who ordered the railway to be built? Tsar Alexander III
- What role did the railway hold in WW II? Huge role in WWII helping hundreds of European factories dismantle weapons and rebuild them in Asia